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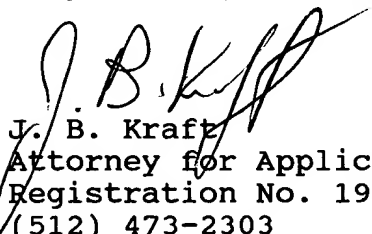
STATEMENT IN LIEU OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

Applicants submit that other than the background art discussed generally in the specification of this application, they are aware of no further art. Thus, this is being submitted in lieu of a statement under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97(b).

Respectfully submitted,


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